

House Resolution No. 3826

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State service- and community-oriented organizations which better the quality of life in local towns and neighborhoods through the excellence of their programs and facilities; and

Whereas, the Adair County Family YMCA has served the individuals and families of Kirksville and the surrounding area for an impressive forty years, an endeavor which will be publicly noted on Saturday, August 28, 2004, through a series of fun, family events that will include a Freedom Run 5K Run/Walk in honor of service men and women, a Family Carnival, and a concluding Family Dance; and

Whereas, the Adair County YMCA puts Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind, and body based on the core values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility; and

Whereas, today's Adair County YMCA includes three thousand members and operates a twenty-nine thousand square-foot facility nestled on fourteen acres across the street from the Kirksville R-III School District; and

Whereas, some of the most popular children's and youth's programs at the Adair County YMCA are soccer, t-ball, and basketball leagues; summer day camp; tumbling; swimming lessons; and an after-school program in which seventy-five to eighty students each day play sports, do homework, use computers, or just "hang out" in a healthy, Christian environment until parents are able to pick them up; and

Whereas, adults at the Adair County YMCA enjoy a variety of cardiovascular, circuit training, and free weight equipment in addition to coed and church volleyball leagues, several different fitness classes, a personalized wellness program, and a multi-sport club; and

Whereas, Adair County YMCA provides quality child care during all fitness classes so that those families with small children will still have the opportunity to participate; and

Whereas, last year the Adair County YMCA offered nearly \$22,000 in membership assistance to children and families in need of financial help in order to enjoy health and fitness programs, character development, and after-school care, all made possible through funding contributions from the United Way of Adair County and annual support from the Strong Kids Campaign;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, successful, and ongoing history of the Adair County YMCA and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as they observe Forty Years of Service to the Kirksville community and environs; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Adair County Family YMCA.

Offered by _____
Representative Robert J. Behnen
District No. 2

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of

Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3826, adopted August 13, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker